

REMARKS

Claims 38-74 have been canceled. Claims 10, 19 and 33 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Claims 11, 20 and 34 have been amended to correct a minor typographical error. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-37 will be pending.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

Claims 10-11, 19-20, 33-34, 47, 56 and 70 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as indefinite. Claims 47, 56 and 70 have been canceled. Therefore this rejection is now moot with respect to these claims. Claims 10, 19, and 33 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to the claims overcome this rejection.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph

Claims 38-74 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Claims 38-74 have been canceled. Therefore this rejection is now moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-9, 12-18, 21-32 and 35-37 are allowable. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for this notification.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 10-11, 19-20, and 33-34, which have been amended as suggested by the Examiner, are now also in condition for allowance.

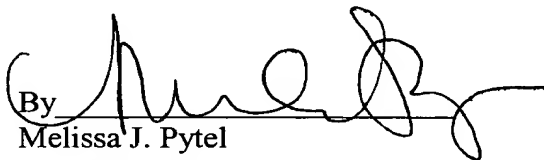
CONCLUSION

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

Applicants believe that there are no fees due in connection with the filing of this paper. However, should a fee be due, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, such an extension is requested and the appropriate fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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